

# Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

100 East Erie Street  
Chicago, IL 60611



## Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, July 9, 2015

10:00 AM

Board Room

## Board of Commissioners

*Commissioner Michael A. Alvarez, Chairman of Finance Frank Avila, Commissioner Timothy Bradford, Vice President Barbara J. McGowan, Commissioner Cynthia M. Santos, Commissioner Debra Shore, Commissioner Kari K. Steele, President Mariyana T. Spyropoulos*

**THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WILL GOVERN THE MEETING PROCESS:**

- 1. Board Members who vote "Nay, Present, or Abstain" or have a question on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.*
- 2. Citizens in the audience who address the Board on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.*
- 3. Items removed from the Consent Agenda are considered separately.*
- 4. One roll call vote is taken to cover all Consent Agenda Items.*

**Call Meeting to Order**

President Mariyana T. Spyropoulos presiding, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**Roll Call**

Present: 8 - Michael A. Alvarez; Frank Avila; Timothy Bradford; Barbara J. McGowan; Cynthia M. Santos; Debra Shore; Kari K. Steele; and Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

**Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Frank Avila, that the minutes from the last meeting be approved without having to read them into the record. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

**Recess and Convene as Committee of the Whole**

A motion was made by Timothy Bradford, seconded by Kari K. Steele, to recess and convene as a committee of the whole. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of Ayes - No Nays

**Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners**

At 12:05 p.m., President Mariyana T. Spyropoulos reconvened the regular board meeting to order

**Finance Committee****Report**

1 [15-0747](#) Report on payment of principal and interest for outstanding District bonds due on July 1, 2015

Attachments: [DS 2015-07 att.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

2 [15-0759](#) Report on investments purchased during April 2015

Attachments: [Inv Purch 2015-04 att.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

3 [15-0760](#) Report on investments purchased during May 2015 (As Revised)

Attachments: [Inv Purch 2015-05 att](#)

**Published and Filed**

4 [15-0761](#) Report on the investment interest income during April 2015

**Attachments:** [Inv Int Inc 2015-04 att.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

5 [15-0762](#) Report on the investment interest income during May 2015

**Attachments:** [Inv Int Inc 2015-05 att.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

6 [15-0786](#) Report on Cash Disbursements for the Month of May 2015, in the amount of \$40,676,700.49

**Attachments:** [May 2015 Cash Disbursements Summary](#)

**Published and Filed**

## Authorization

7 [15-0668](#) Authority to add Project 15-816-21 Rehabilitate the Hydraulic Digester Passenger Elevator at the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, to the Construction Fund, estimated cost of the project is \$100,000.00

**Approved**

8 [15-0671](#) Authority to add Project 15-723-21, Furnish and Deliver a Protective Relay Test Set, to the Construction Fund, estimated cost of the project is \$85,000.00

**Approved**

9 [15-0725](#) Authority to add Project 15-604-21 Furnish and Deliver Ammonia Control Equipment, to the Construction Fund, estimated cost of the project is \$1,247,000.00

**Approved**

## Procurement Committee

### Report

10 [15-0741](#) Report on advertisement of Request for Proposal 15-RFP-24 LIMS Consulting, estimated cost \$100,000.00, Account 101-27000-601170, Requisition 1399621

**Published and Filed**

11 [15-0756](#) Report on advertisement of Request for Proposal 15-RFP-21 Professional Underwriting Services for District Bond Sales for a three-year period

**Published and Filed**

12 [15-0768](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, June 16, 2015

**Published and Filed**

13 [15-0769](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, June 23, 2015

**Published and Filed**

14 [15-0788](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, June 30, 2015

**Published and Filed**

15 [15-0790](#) Report on the amendment to the agreement for Request for Proposal 14-RFP-18 Supply of Electricity, with Dynegy Energy Services, for a One (1) Year Extension, starting January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2018

**Published and Filed**

#### **Authorization**

16 [15-0763](#) Authorization to execute the amended McCook Reservoir Excavation Agreement, Contract 73-161-EH

**Approved**

17 [15-0781](#) Authorization to forfeit Contract 14-049-11, Furnish and Deliver Work Gloves to Various Locations, for a One (1) Year Period, Group A to Equity Industrial Supply Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$9,049.00, Account 101-20000-623700

**Approved**

#### **Authority to Advertise**

18 [15-0709](#) Authority to advertise Contract 15-723-21 Furnish and Deliver a Protective Relay Test Set, estimated cost \$85,000.00, Account 201-50000-634650, Requisition 1398646

**Approved**

19 [15-0735](#) Authority to advertise Contract 15-604-21 Furnish and Deliver Ammonia Control Equipment, estimated cost \$1,247,000.00, Account 201-50000-645650, Requisitions 1398256/1398282/1399989

**Approved**

20 [15-0739](#) Authority to advertise Contract 06-155-3S, Salt Creek Intercepting Sewer 2 Rehabilitation, SSA, estimated cost \$48,050,000.00, Account 401-50000-645700, Requisition 1396963

**Attachments:** [Project Fact Sheet - 06-155-3S Salt Creek Intercepting Sewer 2 Rehabilitation, SSA kmf](#)

**Approved**

**21** [15-0758](#) Authority to advertise Contract 15-711-21, Process Control Building Restoration at the O'Brien Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$525,000.00, Account 201-50000-645690, Requisition 1395564.

**Approved**

**22** [15-0770](#) Authority to advertise Contract 15-049-11 Furnish and Deliver Work Gloves to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$45,600.00, Account 101-20000-623700

**Approved**

**23** [15-0771](#) Authority to advertise Contract 15-032-11 Furnish and Deliver Coveralls, Rainwear & Boots to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$43,200.00, Account 101-20000-623700

**Approved**

**24** [15-0772](#) Authority to advertise Contract 15-029-11 Furnish and Deliver Safety Equipment to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$88,000.00, Account 101-20000-623700

**Approved**

**25** [15-0778](#) Authority to advertise Contract 15-009-11 Furnish and Deliver Cloths, Paper Towels, & Toilet Tissue to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$105,200.00, Account 101-20000-623660

**Approved**

**Issue Purchase Order**

**26** [15-0703](#) Issue purchase order to CDW Government LLC, to Furnish and Deliver Cisco SmartNet Maintenance for Cisco Routers and Switches, in an amount not to exceed \$176,358.87, Account 101-27000-612840, Requisition 1399999

**Approved**

**27** [15-0706](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement for Contract 15-RFP-04, Actuarial Consulting Services with Foster & Foster, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$98,700.00, Account 101-40000-601170, Requisitions 1388358.

**Approved**

**28** [15-0707](#) Issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement with the law firm of Barnes & Thornburg LLP to represent and counsel the District in connection with the preparation of a petition for a variance from the chloride water quality standard in the Chicago Area Waterway System in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00, Account 101-30000-601170, Requisition 1400732 *(As Revised)*

*Barbara J. McGowan lifted her early deferral*

*A motion was made by Debra Shore, seconded by Cynthia M. Santos, that this item be amended to list each responding firm and the proposed hourly rates. The motion carried by roll call 8:0*

**Approved**

**29** [15-0710](#) Issue a purchase order to International Society of Automation, to provide a certified control systems technician level review course, in a total amount not to exceed \$23,895.00, Accounts 101-67000/68000/69000-601100 Requisition 1400330

**Approved**

**30** [15-0737](#) Issue a purchase order to Anaergia, Inc. to perform a performance test on various types of solid waste using its proprietary organic extrusion press, as a precursor to entering into an agreement with Anaergia, Inc., under Contract 11-240-3P Organic Waste Receiving and Processing Facility, Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$58,000.00, Account 201-50000-601170, Requisition 1400747

**Deleted by the Executive Director**

**31** [15-0753](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement for Contract 14-RFP-36, Professional Auditing Services with McGladrey LLP, in an amount not to exceed \$1,320,000.00, Account 101-40000-601170, Requisition 1387569

**Approved**

**32** [15-0757](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Hach Company, to furnish deliver and install a Lachat Quick Chem QC8500 Series 2 Flow Injection Analysis System, in an amount not to exceed \$75,049.00, Account 101-16000-634970, Requisition 1398968

**Approved**

**33** [15-0773](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 15-400-11, Furnish and Deliver Police Uniforms for a Thirty-Six (36) Month Period, to Ray O'Herron Company, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$80,832.68, Account 101-15000-623700, Requisition 1394116

**Approved**

34 [15-0774](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 15-910-21, Furnish and Deliver Replacement Parts for Walker Sludge Heat Exchangers, to Walker Process Equipment, Division of McNish Corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$197,852.00. Account 201-50000-645750, Requisition 1391261

**Approved**

35 [15-0775](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 15-636-11, Furnishing and Delivering Hydrogen Peroxide, to Evoqua Water Technologies, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$214,851.00, Account 101-69000-623560, Requisition 1394928

**Approved**

36 [15-0782](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 15-102-11, Furnish and Deliver Preventive Maintenance on Laboratory Balances to John F. Starmann Co., d/b/a C & M Scale Company, in an amount not to exceed \$10,635.00, Account 101-16000-612970, Requisition 1393041

**Approved**

37 [15-0783](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 15-090-12 (Re-Bid), Furnish and Deliver One New Fork Lift at the O'Brien Water Reclamation Plant to Atlas Toyota Material Handling, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$74,388.00, Account 101-20000-634990, Requisition 1393438

**Approved**

38 [15-0785](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 15-632-11, Furnishing and Delivering Sodium Hypochlorite, to K. A. Steel Chemicals, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$8,424,124.00, Accounts 101-67000, 68000, 69000-623560, Requisitions 1394416, 1393461, 1396208, 1393431, 1388449 and 1393031

**Approved**

#### Award Contract

39 [15-0776](#) Authority to award Contract 15-753-12 (Re-Bid), Contract Farming at the Hanover Park Water Reclamation Plant, to Oros & Busch Application Technologies, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$311,200.00, Accounts 101-67000-612520, 612530, Requisition 1392683

**Approved**

40 [15-0777](#) Authority to award Contract 15-665-11, Landscape and Native Prairie Landscape Maintenance at Various Service Areas, Group A to Christy Webber & Company, in an amount not to exceed \$1,323,000.00, and Group H to Native Landscape Contractors LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$438,724.00, Account 101-69000-612420, Requisition 1391280 (*Deferred from Board Meeting of June 18, 2015*)

**Attachments:** [08-AA.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Michael A. Alvarez, that this Agenda Item be Deferred. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 5 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Timothy Bradford, Barbara J. McGowan, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

**Nay:** 3 - Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Kari K. Steele

**41** [15-0779](#) Authority to award Contract 15-616-11, Repair of Chillers at Various Service Areas, to Anchor Mechanical, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$486,719.00, Accounts 101-67000, 68000, 69000-612680, 623070 and 623270, Requisitions 1378132, 1379577, 1380513 and 1345005

**Approved**

**42** [15-0787](#) Authority to award Contract 15-040-11 Furnish and Deliver Computer Supplies to Various Locations for a One-Year Period, Group A to Runc Office Supply and Equipment Company in an amount not to exceed \$1,498.00, Group B to Midwest Computer Products, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$29,001.50, and Group C to Atlas Stationers in an amount not to exceed \$21,263.25. Account 101-20000-623810

**Attachments:** [ITEMS.pdf](#)

**Approved**

#### Increase Purchase Order/Change Order

**43** [15-0704](#) Authority to decrease and close purchase order with ePath Learning, Inc., for Contract 10-RFP-12 E-Learning/Learning Management System Solution for a Five-Year Period, in an amount of \$12,054.00, from an amount of \$107,219.00, to an amount not to exceed \$95,165.00, Account 101-25000-612820, Purchase Order 3067085

**Approved**

**44** [15-0734](#) Authority to increase Contract 15-695-11, Services of Tractor Mounted Paddle Aerators with Operators, to Bechstein-Klatt, in an amount of \$189,320.00 from an amount of \$1,350,000.00 to an amount not to exceed \$1,539,320.00, Account 101-66000-612520, Purchase Order 5001495

**Approved**

**45** [15-0736](#) Authority to increase Contract 09-176-3P Sludge Thickening Facilities, Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, to McHugh Construction in an amount of \$403,570.00, from an amount of \$166,583,255.73, to an amount not to exceed \$166,986,825.73, Account 401-50000-645650, Purchase Order 5001115

**Attachments:** [CO Log 09-176-3P.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by Timothy Bradford , seconded by Frank Avila, that this Agenda Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 7 - Frank Avila, Timothy Bradford, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Kari K. Steele, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

**Abstain:** 1 - Michael A. Alvarez

**46** [15-0738](#) Authority to increase Contract 06-212-3M Calumet TARP Pumping Station Improvements, Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, to Sollitt/Sachi/Alworth JV in an amount of \$9,795.00, from an amount of \$35,104,983.00, to an amount not to exceed \$35,114,778.00, Account 401-50000-645600, Purchase Order 5001404

**Attachments:** [CO Log 06-212-3M BM 7-9-15.pdf](#)

**Approved**

**47** [15-0740](#) Authority to increase Contract 04-201-4F Tollway Dam, Grout Curtain and Quarry Plugs, Thornton Composite Reservoir, Calumet Service Area, to F.H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen and Associates LLC and Cabo Construction Corporation, Joint Venture in an amount of \$440,000.00, from an amount of \$72,259,196.68, to an amount not to exceed \$72,699,196.68, Account 401-50000-645620, Purchase Order 5001105

**Attachments:** [CO Log 04-201-4F.pdf](#)

**Approved**

**48** [15-0765](#) Authority to increase Contract 11-195-AP Phosphorus Recovery System, Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, to Black & Veatch Construction, Inc. in an amount of \$34,176.34, from an amount of \$31,879,000.00, to an amount not to exceed \$31,913,176.34, Account 401-50000-645650, Purchase Order 5001478

**Approved**

**49** [15-0792](#) Authority to increase Contract 14-665-11, Groups A, B, C, D, F, G and H, Landscape Maintenance, to Herrera Landscape, Inc., in an amount of \$179,000.00 from an amount of \$473,069.24 to an amount not to exceed \$652,069.24, Account 101-69000-612420, Purchase Order 5001470

**Attachments:** [14-665-11\\_062415.pdf](#)

**Approved**

## **Engineering Committee**

### **Report**

**50** [15-0784](#) Report on change orders authorized and approved by the Director of Engineering during the month of June 2015

**Attachments:** [Attachment 1.pdf](#)

[Attachment 2.pdf](#)

[Attachment 3.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

## Judiciary Committee

### Authorization

51 [15-0683](#) Authority to settle the Workers' Compensation Claim of Nathaniel Griffin vs. MWRDGC, Claim W000805436, in the sum of \$36,055.03, Account 901-30000-601090

**Approved**

52 [15-0686](#) Authority to settle the Workers' Compensation Claim of Thomas Lebel vs. MWRDGC, Claim W000866983, in the sum of \$21,151.71, Account 901-30000-601090

**Approved**

53 [15-0705](#) Authority to settle the Workers' Compensation Claim of Atmane Bekri vs. MWRDGC, Case 11 WC 37314, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC), in the sum of \$26,160.72, Account 901-30000-601090

**Approved**

## Real Estate Development Committee

### Authorization

54 [15-0697](#) Authority to issue a one (1) month permit to the Village of Oak Lawn to perform two (2) soil borings on District Cal-Sag Channel Parcels 8.04 and 8.05 in Palos Heights, Illinois. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

**Attachments:** [7-9-15 aerial-CSC 8.04 & 8.05 oak lawn exhibit.pdf](#)

**Deleted by the Executive Director**

55 [15-0724](#) Authority to issue a one (1) month permit to the Village of Oak Lawn to perform two (2) soil borings on District Cal-Sag Channel Parcels 8.04 and 8.05 in Palos Heights, Illinois. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

**Attachments:** [Aeria Map.Parcels 8.04 and 8.05.pdf](#)

**Approved**

## Stormwater Management Committee

### Authorization

56 [15-0764](#) Authorization to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with and make payment in the amount of \$130,000.00 to the Village of Wilmette to partially fund the installation of green alleys in Wilmette, Illinois

**Approved**

**Miscellaneous and New Business****Resolution**

**57 [15-0780](#)** RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners congratulating the Chicago Blackhawks on winning the 2015 Stanley Cup Championship

**A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Debra Shore, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays**

**58 [15-0791](#)** RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners wishing Ed McElroy a very happy 90th birthday (As Revised)

**A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Cynthia M. Santos, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays**

**Additional Agenda Items**

**59 [15-0794](#)** Authority to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to Elk Grove Village for the design, construction, operation and maintenance of the Busse Woods Reservoir South Dam Modifications under Phase II of the Stormwater Management Program, with payment to Elk Grove Village in an amount not to exceed \$1,125,000.00, Account 401-50000-612400

**Attachments:** [Exhibit 1 - EGV Project Location.pdf](#)

**Deleted by the Executive Director**

**60 [15-0796](#)** Authority to award Contract 09-182-3E, D799 Switchgear Replacement at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, to Broadway Electric, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$12,586,000.00, plus a five (5) percent allowance for change orders in an amount of \$629,300.00, for a total amount not to exceed \$13,215,300.00. Account 401-50000-645650, Requisition 1387568 (As Revised)

**Attachments:** [PROJECT VIEW.pdf](#)

[Contract 09-182-3E Appendix D Report](#)

**Deleted by the Executive Director**

**61 [15-0797](#)** Authority to award Contract 14-254-3F (Re-Bid), Blue Island Green Infrastructure Project, Blue Island, Illinois, to Industria, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$663,838.00, plus a five (5) percent allowance for change orders in an amount of \$33,191.90, for a total amount not to exceed \$697,029.90. Account 401-50000-645690, Requisition 1382871

**Attachments:** [08-AA.pdf](#)

[PROJECT VIEW.pdf](#)

**Approved**

**Approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Items: 30, 40, 45, 54, 57, 58, 59 and 60**

**A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Debra Shore, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 8 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Timothy Bradford, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Kari K. Steele, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

**Meeting Summary****Speakers**

*Jay Blunk, Executive Vice President; Pete Hassen, Senior Executive Director of Marketing; and Troy Murray, Radio Color Analyst from the Chicago Blackhawks Organization, accepted the resolution congratulating the Chicago Blackhawks on winning the 2015 Stanley Cup Championship (Re: Miscellaneous and New Business Item #57)*

*Ed McElroy accepted the resolution wishing him a very happy 90th birthday (Re: Miscellaneous and New Business Item #58)*

*George Blakemore, concerned citizen, voiced concerns on various items (Re: Procurement Items #28, 40 and 61)*

*Antonio Lopez, PhD., Executive Director at Little Village Environmental Justice Organization, addressed the Board regarding the Sanitary Ship Canal*

**Summary of Requests**

*David St. Pierre*

- 1. Debra Shore requested that more tours be scheduled at the Thornton Reservoir*

**Study Session**

*None*

**Announcements**

*None*

**Board Letter Submission Dates**

**The next regular board meeting is scheduled for August 6, 2015, please prepare and submit Board items before the following absolute cutoff dates.**

**Date agenda items are due to the Director of Procurement and Materials Management for signature and preparation: July 24, 2015**

**Date all agenda items are due to the Executive Director: 1:00 p.m., July 29, 2015**

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Timothy Bradford, that when the Board Adjourns, it adjourns to meet again on Thursday, August 6, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. and also move that today's meeting be Adjourned. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: /s/ Jacqueline Torres, Clerk

**Aye:** 8 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Timothy Bradford, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Kari K. Steele, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

**APPROVAL:**

In accordance with the provisions of 70ILCS 2605/4, each of the foregoing agenda items duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago this July 9, 2015, are hereby approved.

**APPROVED:**

/s/ Mariyana T. Spyropoulos  
President Board of Commissioners of the  
Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

July 9, 2015